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Amendments to Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for allocating billing incurred by an entity from a technology resource provider, said method comprising:

receiving a business model file corresponding to an internal structure of the entity, the business model file including at least one application profile associating at least the following access values: (1) a time access value, (2) a geographic area access value, and (3) a user-level value with at least an identifier associated with at least a portion of the internal structure within the entity;

receiving, by a computer based system for allocating billing, said billing, which includes data corresponding to usage of at least one a technology resource by the a group within the entity, wherein the usage is assigned a unique task identifier, and wherein the group is assigned a distinct group identifier, and wherein a business model file of an entity comprises internal structure information including a list of a plurality of groups within the entity, and wherein the group is part of the plurality of groups;

receiving, by the computer based system, descriptive data corresponding to the said access values unique task identifier;

receiving, by the computer based system, value driver data associated with the group; and allocating, by the computer based system, respective billing portions of said billing to the portion of the an internal structure within the entity based at least in part on said access values associated with the identifier, said billing portions corresponding to usage of said at least one the technology resource by the portion of the internal structure within the entity group[[,]].

wherein at least one of the above steps is performed by at least one processor.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein said the at least one technology resource includes at least one of computer usage wherein said computer usage includes computing time obtained from an outsourced provider, telephony resource usage, manufacturing

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cycles, and production runs, and computer usage, wherein the computer usage includes computing time obtained from an outsourced provider.

- 3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving said business model file further includes receiving said business model file at a controller further including reporting, by the computer based system, a business performance indicator, wherein the business performance indicator is based on the value driver data and the billing.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further including automatically recognizing, by the computer based system, at least one user of the distinct group identifier and the unique task identifier.
 - 5. (Canceled)
- 6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1[[4]], wherein said the allocating further includes allocating, by the computer based system, loyalty points to the at least one user entity.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein said the allocating further includes reducing, by the computer based system, said the billing by a monetary value of loyalty points.
- 8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein said the allocating further includes at least one of transferring, pooling and gifting loyalty points.
- 9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further including providing, by the computer based system, a descriptive billing statement including at least a portion of said business model file the unique task identifier and the distinct group identifier.
- 10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, further including providing, by the computer based system, a descriptive billing statement including at least one of:

at least a portion of said business model file,

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a total of computer usage time,

said the computer usage time associated with at least one of: unique identifiers, an account, a project, a process and a division,

a time period of said the computer usage,

at least one user entity associated with said the computer usage occurring during said the time period,

an authorization received,

a rule engine guideline used during said the computer usage,

a notification sent by a controller,

an account billed for said the computer usage,

a processing power associated with said the computer usage,

a provider providing said the computer usage time,

said the computer usage and said the billing associated with at least one of said a business model file, an application profile, and a value driver,

an analysis of at least one of said the computer usage and said the billing, statistics of at least one of said the computer usage and said the billing, graphical display of at least one of said the computer usage and said the billing.

- 11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further including adjusting, by the computer based system, said the billing based upon at least one of a CPU-second used, a total CPU-seconds expected to be used, a volume discount, a stepped-type of pricing, a peak/off-peak usage, a geographic location, a service provided, a performance expectation, a location, a service level scoring, a CPU cycle, a local power consumption cost, a physical site security, an increased site security, an additional operational procedure needed to support increased sensitive data, a level of fail over needed, a service level agreement, and an account data privacy requirement.
 - 12. (Cancelled).
 - 13. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, further including: monitoring, by the computer based system, said the computer usage; and[[,]]

notifying, by the computer based system, at least one the user group of said the computer usage.

- 14. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein said the monitoring said the computer usage further includes monitoring in at least one of substantially real-time, a preestablished time period and a random time period.
- 15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein said the notifying the at least one group user further includes notifying the at least one group user via at least one of phone, email, pager, cell phone, personal digital assistant, and fax.
- 16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein said the notifying the at least one group user further includes providing at least one of a signal, a usage clock, and a monetary usage value to the at least one group user.
- 17. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, further including performing data analysis of said the computer usage using the at least one an application performance driver.
- 18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, further including suggesting a cost efficient usage practice.
- 19. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, further including requesting a bid based upon said monitoring step.
- 20. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the said business model file further includes at least one of an application profile, a value driver, a user level, a geographic area, a project, a zone, a third party provider, loyalty information and a rule.
- 21. (New) A tangible non-transitory computer-readable medium having stored thereon sequences of instruction, the sequences of instruction including instruction which when executed

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by a computer-based system causes the computer-based system to perform operations comprising:

receiving, by a computer based system for allocating billing, data corresponding to usage of a technology resource by a group within the entity, wherein the usage is assigned a unique task identifier, and wherein the group is assigned a distinct group identifier, and wherein a business model file of an entity comprises internal structure information including a list of a plurality of groups within the entity, and wherein the group is part of the plurality of groups

receiving descriptive data corresponding to the unique task identifier; receiving value driver data associated with the group; and

allocating, by the computer based system, billing to an internal structure based on usage of the technology resource by the group.

22. (New) A computer based system for allocating billing comprising: a processor; and

a memory in communication with the processor, the memory for storing a plurality of processing instructions for directing the processor to:

receive data corresponding to usage of a technology resource by a group within the entity, wherein the usage is assigned a unique task identifier, and wherein the group is assigned a distinct group identifier, and wherein a business model file of an entity comprises internal structure information including a list of a plurality of groups within the entity, and wherein the group is part of the plurality of groups;

receiving descriptive data corresponding to the unique task identifier;
receiving value driver data associated with the group; and
allocate billing to an internal structure based on usage of the technology resource
by the group.